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SUBJ: IZVESTIYA CORRESPONDENT OPPOSES FRG POSITION ON LEGAL  
ASSISTANCE ISSUE

1. HARDENING OF SOVIET LINE AGAINST FRG POSITION ON  
LEGAL ASSISTANCE IS EVIDENT IN FIRST DIRECT SOVIET COM-  
MENT ON POSTPONEMENT OF SIGNING OF FRG-CZECHOSLOVAK  
TREATY. IZVESTIYA'S BONN CORRESPONDENT C. TOSUNYAN  
ASSERTS SEPTEMBER 6 THAT CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT  
"NATURALLY" COULD NOT COMPLY WITH FRG DEMAND ON LEGAL  
ASSISTANCE "SINCE IT CONTRADICTS QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT  
ON WEST BERLIN." FRG DEMAND, SAYS TOSUNYAN, "ACTUALLY  
REPRESENTS ATTEMPT TO DISTORT QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT."

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2. BY TAKING PUBLIC POSITION ON LEGAL ASSISTANCE ISSUE,  
SOVIETS ARE MAKING COMPROMISE MORE DIFFICULT. IT WOULD  
APPEAR THAT THEY HAVE DECIDED, FOR THE TIME BEING AT  
LEAST, TO STAND FAST AND FORCE THE FRG TO CHOOSE BETWEEN  
A CONCESSION OVER BERLIN OR A SLOWDOWN IN OSTPOLITIK.  
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